Reservation without creamy layer

2942. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government propose to reserve seats of OBCs without creamy layer criterion in higher educational institutions from the academic year 2007-08 onwards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor, particularly when the OBCs suffer from considerable backwardness in the country; and

(d) the other steps proposed to be taken by Government to accord reservation to OBCs without creamy layer due to the fact that there are a large number of most backward people among OBCs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) 27% reservation for OBCs in all Central Educational Institutions are to be implemented from the academic year 2007-08 as per provisions of the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act. The matter is however *sub-judice* in the Supreme Court of India, which has given a 'stay order' on the implementation of the said provision, during 2007-08. The matter is listed for hearing on the 8th May, 2007.

Reservation for dalit students in residential schools

2943. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide some reservation/increase of seats in residential schools including Kendriya Vidyalayas and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas in the country for dalit students; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) and Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) are the only two residential schooling programmes, under the Ministry of